DRINKING WATER FUNDING FOR THE FUTURE ACT OF 2021

BACKGROUND:

Overall, The Drinking Water Funding for the Future Act will reauthorize funding for multiple key drinking water programs. This legislation will help ensure resources for American communities to provide their residents safe drinking water.

KEY POINTS:

The Drinking Water Funding for the Future Act of 2021 will:

- Bring investment to and modernization of the country's drinking water infrastructure.
- Authorize in total more than \$11.58 billion over five years for drinking water programs and support at the Federal and state level.
- Continue to promote accountability by helping states and utilities with compliance and asset management.
- Provide funding for risk and resilience measures at public water systems, including cybersecurity attack prevention.
- Assist underserved and disadvantaged areas with funding for better water quality and replacement of lead service lines.
- Authorize approximately \$9.5 billion over five years for the state drinking water revolving loan fund program, including for rural and Tribal areas.
- Prioritize funding for grants to develop, test, and deploy innovative water technologies or provide technical assistance to public water systems to deploy these technologies.

